## Groton Greenway Committee Open Session Minutes, 1.14.21 7:00 PM Zoom

Adam Burnett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Town Hall. Members Carol Coutrier, David Pitkin, and Marina Khabituyeva, were present. Guest was Paul Funch.

I. Paul Funch led a discussion of the proposed Riverwalk Trail (between Rte. 225-Lawrence Woods and Hazel Grove Park). Paul would like for it to be a community project. There was a discussion on how to handle horses on the trail and a bridal trail is under consideration, Aside from Greenway Committee, Adam would like to work with Paul on the project.

Upon a motion by David Pitkin, seconded by Carol Coutrier, it was

VOTED: to write a letter from the Greenway Committee in support of the proposed Riverwalk Trail and protection of the corridor.

The vote was unanimous.

II. Review and Approval of Minutes of Meeting of Feb. 20, 2020

Upon a motion by David Pitkin, seconded by Carol Coutrier, it was

VOTED: to accept the minutes of the Feb. 20, 2020 Groton Greenway Committee

The vote was unanimous with one abstaining (Marina)

- III. Groton Greenway Committee 2020 Annual Report: Draft report for submission for the Groton Annual Town report; deadline Jan. 31
  - A. Adam will prepare the report which will include the fact that the Riverfesival was cancelled due to the Corona19 virus pandemic. Two Groton Greenway Committee meetings were held in 2020.
- IV. Nod Road Landfill Site
  - A. Adam and Marina have done 2 years of water testing. Adam will get the files on Nod Road Dump to Marina so she can scan them.

Note: Marina shared the NRWA grant opportunity and it was determined that the Nod Road Site would not qualify because the corridor only goes up to the Rt.119 bridge. However, there was a discussion of the possibility of The Greenway Committee identifying and mapping vernal pools, and that this would fall into our mission.

Also it should be noted that the Groton Greenway Committee has a vacancy since Carole Greenfield is not longer on the Committee.

The next Groton Greenway Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, March 18, 2021, 7 PM via ZOOM.

Upon a motion by Carol, seconded by David, it was

VOTED: to adjourn.

The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Coutrier